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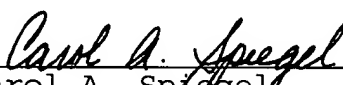
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Applicants: Imler et al.
Application No.: 09/218,143
Filed: 12/22/98
For: Defective Adenoviruses and
Corresponding Complementation Lines

The above-identified application or patent has been forwarded to the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences because it is adjudged to interfere with another application or patent. An interference has been declared. The interference is designated as No. 104,823.

Notice is hereby given the parties of the requirement of the law for filing in the Patent and Trademark Office a copy of any agreement "in connection with or in contemplation of the termination of the interference." 35 U.S.C. § 135(c).



Carol A. Spiegel
Administrative Patent Judge

The opinion in support of the decision being
entered today is not binding precedent of the Board.

Paper 1

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BEFORE THE BOARD OF PATENT APPEALS
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WEI-WEI ZHANG
and
JACK ROTH

Junior Party,
Application 08/222,285

v.

JEAN-LUC IMLER, MAJID MEHTALI
and ANDREA PAVIRANI

Senior Party
Application 09/218,143

Patent Interference No. 104,823 (CAS)

NOTICE DECLARING INTERFERENCE
(37 CFR § 1.611)

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Part A. Declaration of interference

An interference is declared (35 U.S.C. § 135(a)) between the above-identified parties.

Details of the application(s), patent (if any), reissue application (if any), count(s) and claims designated as corresponding or as not corresponding to the count(s) appear in Parts E and F of this NOTICE DECLARING INTERFERENCE.

Part B. Judge designated to handle the interference

Administrative Patent Judge Carol A. Spiegel has been designated to handle the interference. 37 CFR § 1.610(a).

Part C. Standing order

A Trial Section STANDING ORDER accompanies this NOTICE DECLARING INTERFERENCE. The STANDING ORDER applies to this interference.

Part D. Conference call to set dates

A telephone conference call to set dates for taking action in the interference is scheduled for **10:00 a.m. on May 3, 2002** (the call will be initiated from the PTO).

No later than **two business days** prior to the conference call, each party shall file and serve by facsimile a list of the preliminary motions the party intends to file. See § 17 of the STANDING ORDER.

A copy of a "sample" order setting times for taking action during the preliminary motion phase of the interference accompanies this NOTICE DECLARING INTERFERENCE.

Counsel are encouraged to discuss the order prior to the conference call with the view to coming to some mutual agreement as to dates for taking action. A typical preliminary motion period lasts approximately nine (9) months. Counsel should be prepared to justify any request for a shorter or longer period.

Part E. The parties involved in this interference are:

Junior Party

Named inventors:	WEI-WEI ZHANG and JACK ROTH
Application:	08/222,285 filed April 4, 1994
Title:	Adenovirus Supervector System
Assignee:	BOARD OF REGENTS, THE UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS SYSTEM
Accorded Benefit:	None
Attorneys:	See last page
Address:	See last page

Senior Party

Named Inventors: JEAN-LUC IMLER,
MAJID MEHTALI and
ANDREA PAVIRANI

Application: 09/218,143
filed December 22, 1998

Title: Defective Adenoviruses and Corresponding
Complementation Lines

Assignee: TRANSGENE S.A.

Accorded Benefit: of application 08/379,452,
filed January 26, 1995

of PCT application PCT/FR94/00624,
filed May 27, 1994

of FR application 93 06482,
filed May 28, 1993

Attorneys: See last page

Address: See last page

Part F. Count and claims of the parties

Count 1

The adenovirus construct of claim 28 of the '285 Zhang application.

or

The recombinant adenovirus of claim 56 of the '143 Imler application.

or

The recombinant adenoviral vector of claim 62 of the '143 Imler application.

The claims of the parties are:

Zhang: 1-10, 15-23, 28-51¹

Imler: 56-57, 59, 61-65

The claims of the parties which correspond to Count 1 are:

Zhang: 1-10, 15-16, 28-30, 33, 35-51

Imler: 56-57, 59, 61-65

The claims of the parties which do not correspond to Count 1, and therefore are not involved in the interference, are:

Zhang: 17-23, 31-32, 34

Imler: None

¹ According to the Examiner, claims 38-48 of the Zhang '285 application are unpatentable.

Part G. Heading to be used on papers

The following heading shall be used on papers filed in the interference. See
§ 18 of the STANDING ORDER.

Paper ____²

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TITLE OF PAPER

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Part H. Summary of dates for taking action

Times for taking action are set out in the following sections of the STANDING ORDER:

1. **§ 7:** date for identifying lead and backup counsel.
2. **§ 8:** date for identifying any real party in interest.
3. **§ 9:** date for requesting copies of involved and benefit applications and patents.
4. **§ 17:** date for filing list of proposed preliminary motions.
5. **§ 19:** date for accomplishing certain discovery.
6. **§ 20:** date for filing clean copy of claims.
7. **§ 21:** date for filing clean copy of claims in cases with drawings and/or claims containing a means plus function limitation.
8. **§ 23:** dates for filing oppositions to Rule 635 miscellaneous motions and dates for filing replies to oppositions.
9. **§ 33:** date for objecting to admissibility of evidence.
10. **§ 34:** date for serving supplemental affidavits or evidence to respond to objection to admissibility of evidence.
11. **§ 35:** dates when cross-examination can take place.
12. **§ 45:** dates for taking action with respect to settlement discussions

Part I. Order form for requesting file copies

FILE COPY REQUEST

Interference 104,823 (CAS)

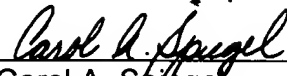
A copy of Part E of this NOTICE DECLARING INTERFERENCE should be attached to this FILE COPY REQUEST, with a circle by hand around the patents and applications for which a copy of a file wrapper is desired.

To facilitate processing of this FILE COPY REQUEST, the following information should be included:

1. Charge fees to USPTO Deposit Account No. _____
2. Complete address, including street, city, state, zip code and telephone number (do not list a Post Office box inasmuch as file copies are sent via commercial overnight courier).

Telephone, including area code: _____

Part J. Signature of administrative patent judge



Carol A. Spiegel
Administrative Patent Judge

Date: March 6, 2002
Arlington, VA

Enc:

Copy of STANDING ORDER

Copy of order used for setting times for taking action in the preliminary motion phase of the interference (ORDERPM6)

Copy of order used for setting times for taking action in the testimony and briefing phases of the interference (ORDERTE6)

Copy of claims of 08/222,285

Copy of claims of 09/218,413

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Zhang v. Imler

Paper 1
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INTERFERENCE DIGEST

Interference No. 104,823

Paper No. 33

Name: Jean-Luc Imler et al.

Serial No.: 09/218,143

Patent No.

Title: Defective Adenoviruses and corresponding complementation lines

Filed: 12/22/98

Interference with Zhang et al.

DECISION ON MOTIONS

Administrative Patent Judge, _____ Dated, _____

FINAL DECISION

Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences, favorable Dated, 11/27/02

Court, _____ Dated, _____

REMARKS

NO INTERFERENCE IN FACT

This should be placed in each application or patent involved in interference in addition to the interference letters.